

THE NEWS FROM MAUI

Death of Miss English By Plague.

DETAILS OF KIHAI CASE

District Quarantine--Rats Have the Disease--Camp Wood--General News Items.

KAHULUI (Maui), February 28, 1900.—One more death from bubonic plague is recorded in Kahului. Julia English, Tahitian, aged about 45, and a sister of the local pilot, succumbed to the disease on the night of Sunday last. The deceased had for years been subject to internal hemorrhages and on the 19th instant was forced to take to her bed. Dr. Amittage of Wailuku attended her out up to her death observed no suspicious signs and treated her for malarial fever. On last Sunday however she sank rapidly and died as recorded. Dr. Garvin conducted an autopsy early on Monday morning and discovered undoubted evidence that the disease was plague. Bob English's house situated about 250 yards mauka of the site of the Chinatown fire, was at once placed under guard and the whole of the occupants removed at once to the detention camp (Camp Wood) where they will remain for the regulation period. The remains of the deceased woman were cremated at midnight of the 26th inst. and at about noon on Tuesday the house and outbuildings were destroyed by fire. Bob English had a few pet sheep and a number of pigeons but all were destroyed, even his old favorite dog was not permitted to leave the infected premises but suffered death by bullet together with the sheep. The last victim to the plague was a close friend of Mrs. Ah Ming, whose husband died from the disease and was considered the most clear case on record. She was a guest of the Ah Mings at the Chinese New Year celebrations and exchanged visits with them up to the time of the quarantine and destruction of Chinatown when of course all social intercourse between them was suddenly stopped.

The Rats Have Plague.

The quarantine regulations of Kahului are most rigidly enforced. Kahului store is closed and together with the manager's house and family maintained in strict quarantine. The reason is because two dead rats were discovered in the store last Sunday and were examined for plague bacilli by Dr. Garvin. In one of the rodents the plague bacilli were discovered in strong force, and in view of the enormous supply trade conducted by the store, it was considered advisable to suspend all business for a time. The closing of the store is a source of considerable inconvenience, as all supplies must now be drawn from Wailuku, Spreckelsville and Pala, and as none of these stores are exceptionally well stocked, the condition of Kahului can be appreciated.

A Suspicious Case.

A rather suspicious case is reported from Kihai plantation. A young Japanese woman died on Monday night under circumstances sufficient to warrant an autopsy. Dr. Garvin was unable to find any bacilli in the several slides treated but discovered in the heart and spleen conditions in every way resembling those met with in genuine plague victims and considers the case suspicious.

All through freight from abroad is landed on the old wharf here and carried through by train. The railroad is barricaded by barbed wire fences throughout the town and men are stationed at all the gates at the crossings.

Shipping is Lively.

The various sugar plantations are busy shipping their products and despite the fact that the majority of the regular hands are in quarantine and that Japanese help from the plantations is employed, the Railroad company is making good headway with the shipping. The Centennial is being partly freighted and as soon as she receives a full cargo will sail for San Francisco. The Cleveland arrived from San Francisco with a full cargo on Monday and anchored outside till Tuesday morning when she sailed for Kihai where she will discharge. The vessels remaining in port are the S. S. Centennial, ship Antelope, bark Chehalis, schooner Novelty and Helen N. Kimball. The Claudine got away for Hana yesterday morning.

Camp Wood a Model.

Camp Wood under A. L. C. Atkinson and Hay Wodehouse, runs the drill shed camp very close for first honors in the race for cleanliness and excellence of organization. The camp is situated in a most healthy position about 1/2 mile back of the town of Kahului. The sandy soil quickly absorbs all moisture and the fresh sea breezes throughout the entire day and night makes the site an ideal one, not necessarily for a quarantine camp, but as a residence district.

The five cottages which house 346 regulars, are within a high board enclosure wherein is also the "executive" building and quarters for the officers and guards. Hawaiian, American, British, Chinese and Japanese flags are set upon tall flagpoles at all points of the camp and wrestling, swings and sports of all kinds are provided for the inmates. The whole camp assumes the appearance of a holiday fair. Everybody seems pleased and no complaints are on record. The only trouble will be encountered when their time is up and they will be requested to hustle for themselves. The food is fresh daily and the utensils for preparing it are as clean as possible. The superintendents are kept busy rounding up food

from different points of Maui and find the task of providing for about 400 people by no means a light one.

District Quarantine.

WAILUKU, Maui, Feb. 28, 1900.—Hawaiian plague has a line of guards along every road in their district. No one is allowed to move about or pass among the thoroughfares without first giving a word account of their movements and identifying themselves to the satisfaction of the guards.

Hans and Lohaina people are making their quarantine regulations more and more strict against the rest of Maui, and they are right in so doing.

Notes of the Plague.

The old shooting range of Kahului is being used as a morgue. The appraisers of the goods and buildings of burned Chinatown valued the whole at about \$25,000.

The heavy rain of the 15th so flooded the old (trace track) detention camp that next day Messrs. Garvin and Atkinson immediately ordered the lumber and constructed a new camp in the windward of the site of the Kahului shooting range, near the road.

It is reported that the old race track detention camp will not be entirely destroyed by fire, but only the part occupied by the Chinaman who died on the 19th ultimo. The rest of the premises is to be thoroughly disinfected and returned to the Maui Racing Association.

On Friday, the 23d, four houses were burned in Kahului in the vicinity of the burned district. They were the quarters of fifty or sixty Kahului railroad employees, mostly Japanese. These people had been placed in the new detention camp the night previous, the 23d. The people in the detention camp now number nearly 300.

Steamer Communication.

Alexander & Baldwin have the steamers Centennial and Cleveland under contract. This looks like the realization of the plan that they have been considering for a year past—that of having steam communication between Kahului and San Francisco twice a month.

All honor is due to the so-called Alexander & Baldwin stores of Maui for maintaining ordinary prices of staple articles during the plague epidemic. The stores in question are the Kahului store, the Pala plantation store, the Haku Sugar Co.'s store at Hanalei, the Spreckelsville store, and the Kihai plantation store. The prices prevailing last week at one of the stores were as follows: Flour (No. 1), at \$1.20 a bag, \$4.50 a barrel; Hawaiian rice, \$7; Louisiana rice, \$5; kerosene oil, \$2.75 a case; barley, \$1.25; bran, 50 cents; etc.

District Inspection.

During Saturday and Sunday, the 24th and 25th, the whole of Makawao district was inspected and given a clean bill of health. Not a suspicious case was discovered, and if this state of affairs continues the schools of the district will re-open, after a discontinuance of three weeks, on Monday, the 26th.

The inspection of the Kula region was made Saturday, the 24th, under the direction of Louis von Tempky of the Health Committee. During the same day an inspection was made under charge of C. H. Dickey, from Koko to Haleakala. On Sunday, the 25th, another house-to-house visit was made from Haleakala through Huelo, Kailua to Keanae by a company of citizens under the lead of D. C. Lindsay of the Health Committee and C. H. Dickey.

All the plantations are and have been strictly enforcing their quarantine regulations, and daily house-to-house inspections. On Spreckelsville plantation each house of every camp is inspected twice a day, so that the concealing of any case of sickness or death is almost impossible.

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remove them to a safe distance from the camp, and to keep their house uninhabited. The house was burned this morning. I have sent Fogue a lot of the poison and he will start in at once to poison right and left. He is leaving his camp 2, which, as will be remembered, was a camp of small houses for married people, situated for rats, this morning and everything in all the houses taken out for a good airing. This is an excellent and wise precaution. I trust that it was not a case of plague at Kihai, but we have taken the steps that we have, as it is too important a matter to take any chances. The man and his wife (who died) came with an immigrant lot fully three months ago, and both man and wife have worked steadily on the plantation, so that it would seem to be impossible that they brought it with them. They have lived some distance from the landing, as is known, and they kept pretty steadily at work. About two weeks ago the woman's brother-in-law was taken sick with malaria, and she stayed home to nurse him. He recovered, and then she was taken sick. Her temperature did not rise materially until the afternoon before she died, when it went up to 103.6, and the next morning she died at 5 o'clock. The suddenness of the rise of temperature and death was the only thing that aroused suspicion. The plantation is under quarantine and the camp is under quarantine by itself, and every precaution taken to stamp it out if it should be proved to be plague.

FROM SPRECKELSVILLE.

News of the District—Facts About New Mill.

SPRECKELSVILLE (Maui), March 1, 1900.—Plague scares, fortunately false alarms, are the order of the day here, and the officials are kept busy tracing them out. Two or three deaths having lately taken place amongst the Japanese at Kihai and this place, it has been thought best to take the bodies to Kahului, so that Dr. Garvin might examine and pass upon them. So the verdict has been "no plague," but there is much anxiety for the neighborhood has a very large Asiatic population, and once the pest gained a hold in the plantation camps, the consequences would be serious indeed.

The plantation railroad has been extended to Kihai and the last steamer from the Coast to arrive at Kahului has been moved round to the other side of the island, where she is being discharged. She will likely also take on her cargo of sugar at that port, should present conditions continue.

A crusade against rats is being vigorously carried on, and a miniature state of siege is in existence all over the island. Indeed Nahuiku has carried it so far that people have even asked their permission before telephoning to them, lest maybe they should be under the fear of catching infection by electric currents. Owing to the strict quarantine rice is said to be \$13 a bag at Nahuiku.

SPRECKELSVILLE (Maui), February 26, 1900.—The contract for the new mill-buildings has been let to Messrs. Milliken Bros. of New York, who have become famous for large iron and steel structures of all kinds. This will be an extensive undertaking and as the material will come round the horn, and will not reach Kahului before the last of the new year, it will be midsummer 1901 before it is erected.

The mill machinery is not yet ordered, but various tenders from the most noted manufacturers in the United States are under consideration; and a decision will, no doubt, be reached within this next few months.

A mill capable of turning out five hundred tons of sugar in twenty-four hours is such a mammoth enterprise that all previous figures have to be set aside and a new set of computations made. The new mill site is near the center of the plantation, and excavation for foundations, etc., is already in progress. The railroad has also been extended to it. The place selected has, besides being centrally located, another great advantage over the old site. In that the elevation is such that all the waste water from the mill, which is quite a large stream, can be used for irrigation on the lower fields. This is a great defect at the old mill, as that is so situated that all the water from it runs direct to the sea. But, besides the water waste, the rich fertilizing ingredients with which the mill-stream is charged and the waste molasses, etc., all share the same fate. Where the rainfall is so light that nearly every gallon of water used has to be either pumped, or brought from long distances by ditches and flumes, this waste of water is quite a serious loss; and the consequent gain by the new arrangement will go far towards paying interest on the capital about to be expended.

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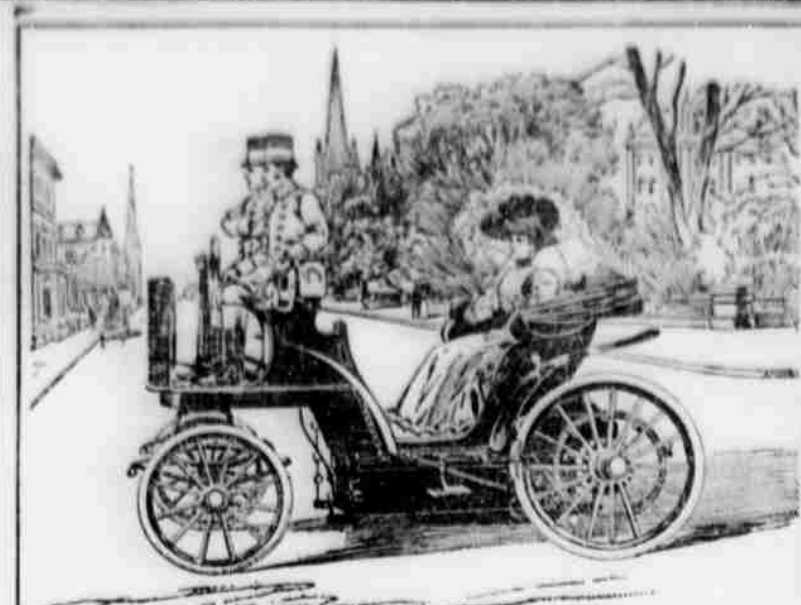
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HOW UP-TO-DATE SOCIETY RIDES.

Modish people in New York showed unusual interest in this year's bicycle show because of its automobile feature. The display of the horseless carriage at Madison Square Garden was certainly attractive. The vehicles ranged from the heavy truck to the light, handsome and sporty turnout built for the lady whose husband or papa has a large bank account. Manufacturers' representatives, in full dress, explained and exploited their goods to men wearing high hats and women in tailor-made suits and rich furs. The bicycle was by no means neglected, but its volleys presented a more democratic appearance. There are some swell turnouts in the automobile line in New York, but the coming summer will undoubtedly see the number greatly increased.

BEATRICE BEAN.

The Woman Who Smuggled Herself on a Transport.

A stray and belated copy of the Tribune of Manila has brought information of a newspaper woman whose romantic experiences are remembered here:

Miss Beatrice Bean, an up-to-date newspaper woman, who represents the San Francisco Call, arrived in this port on board the City of Para last Friday under most peculiar circumstances, which are most fully described below: Beatrice Bean, disguised as a man, applied for work to the captain of the City of Para previous to the departure of that ship for the Philippines. The captain was attracted by her bright, vivacious manner, and gave her employment as his cabin boy. Four days out from San Francisco Miss Bean acknowledged her sex to the captain, who ordered her to be immediately placed in confinement in one of the ladies' toilet rooms. When the vessel arrived at Honolulu she was taken off the ship under guard. Two hours previous to the sailing of the City of Para from Honolulu Miss Bean smuggled herself on board and mixed with the passengers, once more disguised in masculine clothing. Her presence on board was discovered, and she was again placed under arrest with a guard and officer in charge of her.

PLAGUE AT NOUMEA.

Englishman Catches It From an Infected Flea.

SYDNEY, Feb. 3.—Private letters from Noumea speak of the stringent measures being taken to stamp out the plague. Rats are held chiefly responsible for the spread of the disease. Over 200 rodents in one consignment of rice were killed, and 250 tons of rice thrown into the sea. Lime-water and disinfectants are instrumental in checking the disease. In one case, while a young Englishman was killing a rat, a flea off the animal bit him, and he soon formed and spread through the system.

CHRONIC DIARRHOEA CURED.

My mother suffered with chronic diarrhoea for several months. She was attended by two physicians who at last pronounced her case hopeless. She procured one 25-cent bottle of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy, and five doses gave her permanent relief. I take pleasure in recommending it as the best on the market.—Mrs. F. E. Watson, Alken, Ala. Sold by all druggists and dealers; Benson, Smith & Co., Ltd., agents for H. I.

The ship John McDonald arrived in Hilo February 28, seven days from this port.

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When we see it ourselves—When our own ears hear it—When our own neighbors tell it—When our friends endorse it—No better evidence can be had. It's not what people say in America, or distant mutterings from Australia.

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There is no proof like home proof. Can you believe your neighbors? Read this statement made by a citizen:

Mrs. Grace Dodd of 524 Young street, this city, informs us: "My sufferings were of a complicated nature; I had enlargement of the liver according to the doctors' diagnosis, and besides this was troubled with severe pains in the right side, and a lame back. I had these backache pains for two years, and so severe were they at times that they prevented me from sleeping. All the medicines I tried were of no avail until I got some of Doan's Backache Kidney Pills at the Hollister Drug Co.'s store, and used them. The benefit obtained was wonderful; the backache was entirely relieved and I cannot be too grateful for this since I now enjoy good sleep—one of the chief of Nature's blessings."

It is important to get the same medicine which helped Mrs. Dodd, DOAN'S BACKACHE KIDNEY PILLS. Therefore ask for Doan's Backache Kidney Pills.

Doan's Backache Kidney Pills are sold by all chemists and storekeepers at 50 cents per box, six boxes \$2.50, or will be mailed on receipt of price by the Hollister Drug Co., Honolulu, wholesale agents for the Hawaiian Islands.

Wilcox Coming Home.

Princess Theresa Wilcox says that her husband, Robert W. Wilcox, is journeying homeward and unless he is called back to Washington for further important conferences relative to the Governorship, he will arrive in Honolulu March 14th. Several grand luaus record he has made for himself before the national Congress.

Mrs. Noah Kauhane.

Mrs. Noah Kauhane, the only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Kaulukou, died at her residence, Kailua, yesterday after a short illness. She was 23 years of age and had been married several years. A husband and four children survive the deceased.

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